

State of Washington Small Business Liaisons

Your quick contacts for state government information, assistance, speakers for events.

Agency	Services	Contacts	Phone	E-mail
Department of Labor & Industries	 Workers' compensation claims and employer accounts Workplace safety and health Wage & hour rules Construction contractor registration 	Ron Langley Aaron Hoffman	360-902-4205 Toll-free: 800-987-0145	SmallBusiness@Lni.wa.gov
Employment Security Department	 Unemployment insurance taxes Paying out unemployment benefits Employment services to workers and businesses 	Bill Tarrow	360-902-9376	SmallBusiness@ESD.wa.gov
Department of Revenue	 Business tax registration Business & Occupation Tax, Sales Tax, State Public Utility Taxes, tax incentives/credits, other excise taxes Referrals to tax specialists as needed 	Rob Rice	360-705-6600	RobertR@DOR.wa.gov
Office of Minority & Women's Business Enterprises	Point of contact for small business referrals: Certification, business development, Linked Deposit Program State procurement/contracting	Cathy Canorro	360-704-1187	Ccanorro@OMWBE.wa.gov
Department of Community Trade & Economic Development	 Contact for small business referrals Will refer to local business assistance agencies as appropriate 	Ken Olson	509-944-0365	Keno@CTED.wa.gov
Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance	 Regulatory questions/requirements including environmental permitting Change agent for joint agency processes and procedures Manages www.Business.wa.gov 	Karen Pemerl	360-902-0529	Karen.Pemerl@gov.wa.gov

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Secretary of State – Division of Corporations and Charities	Registration and maintenance of: Corporations and Limited Liability Companies (LLC) Partnerships Trademarks Apostilles (for documents used in foreign countries)		Patrick Reed	360-725-0358 direct 360-725-0377 main	preed@secstate.wa.gov
Department of Licensing	 Online and paper filing of Master Business Applications City and State agency partnerships for one-stop business licensing 		David Walker	360-664-1572	dwalker@dol.wa.gov
Department of Veterans' Affairs	 Washington State Veteran/Servicemember Owned Business Registry Washington State Veteran Linked Deposit Program (Improves access to capital for certified Veteran and Servicemember owned firms) 	NOTON STATE AT MENT OF TERMANS FFAIRS	Ralph Ibarra	800-562-2308	ralphi@dva.wa.gov www.dva.wa.gov
Liquor Control Board	 Contact for small business referrals Conducts training on liquor laws and regulations Liquor licensing process 		Tony Kim	360-664-1625	tck@liq.wa.gov